

The following Listing of Claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended) An air-conditioning outdoor unit comprising:
a compressor ~~(1)~~ including a discharge port ~~(1a)~~ and an intake port ~~(1b)~~;
an outdoor heat exchanger ~~(3)~~;
an external connection port ~~(11)~~; and
a four-way switching valve ~~(2)~~ including a pair of primary ports ~~(6a)~~ ~~(6b)~~ respectively connected to the discharge port ~~(1a)~~ and the intake port ~~(1b)~~ of the compressor ~~(1)~~ and a pair of secondary ports ~~(7a)~~ ~~(7b)~~, wherein one secondary port ~~(7a)~~ of the pair of secondary ports ~~(7a)~~ ~~(7b)~~ is being connected to the external connection port ~~(11)~~, the other secondary port ~~(7b)~~ of the pair of secondary ports ~~(7a)~~ ~~(7b)~~ is being connected to the outdoor heat exchanger ~~(3)~~; and
a plurality of flexible pipes ~~(20)~~ ~~(21)~~ are respectively arranged between the one of the secondary ports ~~(7a)~~ and the external connection port ~~(11)~~ and between the other of the secondary ports ~~(7b)~~ and the outdoor heat exchanger ~~(3)~~.
2. (Currently Amended) The air-conditioning outdoor unit of claim 1, wherein
the pair of primary ports ~~(6a)~~ ~~(6b)~~ of the four-way switching valve ~~(2)~~ is directly connected to the discharge port ~~(1a)~~ and the intake port ~~(1b)~~ of the compressor ~~(1)~~ without an intervening a vibration absorbing mechanism ~~such as a trap portion or a loop portion~~.

3. (Currently Amended) An air conditioner comprising:
the air-conditioning outdoor unit of claim 1 ~~or~~ 2; and
an air-conditioning indoor unit ~~that includes~~ including an indoor heat exchanger (5)
~~and to which the air-conditioning indoor unit being connected to the air-conditioning~~
~~outdoor unit is connected.~~
4. (Currently Amended) A compressor unit comprising:
a compressor (1) ~~that includes~~ including a discharge port (1a) and an intake port (1b);
and
a four-way switching valve (2) ~~that includes~~ having a pair of primary ports (6a) (6b)
respectively connected to the discharge port (1a) and the intake port (1b) of the compressor
(1) and a pair of secondary ports (7a) (7b), wherein; and
a plurality of flexible pipes are respectively connected to the ~~pair of~~ secondary ports
(7a) (7b) of the four-way switching valve (2).
5. (Currently Amended) The compressor unit of claim 4, wherein
the ~~pair of~~ primary ports (6a) (6b) of the four-way switching valve (2) is directly
connected to the discharge port (1a) and the intake port (1b) of the compressor (1) without an
intervening a vibration absorbing mechanism ~~such as a trap portion or a loop portion.~~
6. (New) An air conditioner comprising:
the air-conditioning outdoor unit of claim 2; and

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an air-conditioning indoor unit including an indoor heat exchanger, the air-conditioning indoor unit being connected to the air-conditioning outdoor unit.